



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1258

LCO No. 4044

Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TOURISM COUNCIL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Subsection (a) of section 32-301 of the general statutes is repealed
2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) There is established within the Department of Economic and
4 Community Development, for administrative purposes only, a
5 Connecticut Tourism Council. The council shall consist of (1) the
6 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, (2) the
7 Commissioner of Transportation, or a designee, (3) the Commissioner
8 of Environmental Protection, or a designee, (4) the Commissioner of
9 Agriculture, or a designee, (5) four five members appointed by the
10 Governor, one of whom shall represent the campground industry, one
11 of whom shall represent a chamber of commerce, one of whom shall
12 represent a tourist attraction, [and] one of whom shall represent the
13 arts and one of whom shall represent the hotel and motel industry and
14 be employed in a hotel or motel with less than fifty rooms, and (6) six
15 members appointed as follows: (A) [One] Two by the president pro
16 tempore of the Senate, who shall represent the hotel and motel

17 industry, one of whom shall be employed in a hotel or motel with
18 more than fifty rooms but less than one hundred rooms and one of
19 whom shall be employed in a conference center, (B) one by the
20 majority leader of the Senate, who shall represent a convention center
21 authority or coliseum authority, (C) one by the minority leader of the
22 Senate, who shall represent the restaurant industry, (D) one by the
23 speaker of the House of Representatives, who shall represent a tourism
24 district, (E) one by the majority leader of the House of Representatives,
25 who shall represent a tourism district, and (F) one by the minority
26 leader of the House of Representatives, who shall represent tour bus
27 companies. All members appointed by the Governor shall serve a term
28 of four years. The terms of all members appointed by members of the
29 General Assembly shall be coterminous with the terms of members of
30 the General Assembly. No member of the council who represents a
31 tourism district may (i) serve for consecutive terms on the council, or
32 (ii) represent the same tourism district as such member's predecessor
33 on the council. The Commissioner of Economic and Community
34 Development shall serve as chairperson of the council.

Statement of Purpose:

To add two additional members to the Connecticut Tourism Council from the hotel industry.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]